

HELFAND DAVID

Form 4

October 30, 2018

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HELFAND DAVID

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O EQUITY
COMMONWEALTH, TWO
NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA,
SUITE 2100**

(Street)

CHICAGO, IL 60606

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
Equity Commonwealth [EQC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
10/28/2018

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)
President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	10/28/2018		M	57,158 (1)	A (1) 595,997	D	
Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	10/28/2018		F	59,857 (2)	D \$ 29.86 536,140	D	
Common Shares of					290	I	See footnote

Beneficial
Interest

(3)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Share Units	(4)	10/28/2018		M		57,158		(5)	(5)	Common Stock	57,158

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HELFAND DAVID C/O EQUITY COMMONWEALTH TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 2100 CHICAGO, IL 60606	X		President & CEO	

Signatures

/s/ Orrin S. Shifrin,
attorney-in-fact

10/30/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Each Common Share of Beneficial Interest of Equity Commonwealth was received in exchange for one Restricted Share Unit ("RSU"), subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Equity Commonwealth 2012 Equity Compensation Plan and the restricted share unit agreement for the Reporting Person.

(2)

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Reflects common shares surrendered to the Issuer to satisfy tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of restricted common shares and RSUs.

- (3) These shares are held by EGI-CW Holdings, L.L.C. ("EGI-CW"). The reporting person is a member of EGI-Fund (14-16) Investors, L.L.C. ("EGI-Fund (14-16)"), which is a member of EGI-CW. The shares reported represent only the number of shares in which the reporting person has a pecuniary interest in accordance with his proportionate interest in EGI-Fund (14-16).

- (4) Each RSU represents the right to receive one share of Common Shares of Beneficial Interest of Equity Commonwealth, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Equity Commonwealth 2012 Equity Compensation Plan and the restricted share unit agreement for the Reporting Person.

- (5) On November 8, 2017, the Reporting Person received 114,317 RSUs as a result of certain performance criteria being met with respect to previously granted RSUs, vesting in two equal installments on November 8, 2017 and October 28, 2018, subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment with Equity Commonwealth through such date.

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